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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REQUEST<br/>for<br/>CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)<br/>TRANSMITTAL</b></p> <p><i>Address to:<br/>Mail Stop RCE<br/>Commissioner for Patents<br/>P.O. Box 1450<br/>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</i></p>  | Application Number  | 10/714,917           |
|   | Filing Date   | November 18, 2003    |
|   | First Named Inventor  | Yasuhiro MORI et al. |
|   | Group Art Unit  | 2621                 |
|   | Examiner Name   | Daniel T. Tekle      |
|   | Attorney Docket Number  | 2003.1662A           |
| Confirmation No.  | 5136  |                      |
| <p><b>This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.</b><br/> <i>Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.</i></p>   |   |                      |
| <p><b>1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 – Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).</b></p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.</p> <p>    I. <input type="checkbox"/> Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on</p> <p>    II. <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed:</p> <p>    I. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply</p> <p>    II. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</p> <p>    III. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)</p> <p>    IV. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> <p><b>2. Miscellaneous</b></p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p><b>3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)</b></p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.</p> <p>    I. <input type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</p> <p>    II. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17)</p> <p>    III. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$ enclosed</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payment is made by Credit Card for the following fees:</p> <p>    I. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</p> <p>    II. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17)</p> <p>    III. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> |   |                      |
| <p>4. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CUSTOMER NO.<br/>000513</b></p>  | <p><i>/Andrew L. Dunlap/</i><br/> <b>By: 2009.12.22 15:31:26 -05'00'</b><br/>         Andrew L. Dunlap<br/>         Registration No. 60,554<br/> <br/> <b>WENDEROTH, LIND &amp; PONACK, L.L.P.</b><br/>         1030 15<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400 East<br/>         Washington, D.C. 20005-1503<br/>         Phone: (202) 721-8200<br/>         Fax: (202) 721-8250<br/> <br/>         December 22, 2009</p> |                      |